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EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed. With the exception of egregious errors, content (including spelling, grammar, and punctuation) of these orders has been reproduced as submitted.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2011-06 Establishing the Arizona Child Safety Task Force

[M11-365]

WHEREAS, the safety of all children in the State of Arizona is of the utmost importance;

WHEREAS, every child has the right to a safe environment and protection from harm;

WHEREAS, the child protective services system in Arizona should promote and prioritize the safety of children and inspire public confidence;

WHEREAS, ensuring children's safety requires strong laws and sound practices;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to continuously monitor the effectiveness of the child protective services system and consider reforms to enhance child safety when appropriate;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State, do hereby establish the Arizona Child Safety Task Force and order as follows:

- 1. Membership of the Task Force shall include but not be limited to the following:
 - a) A judge who has experience with cases of child abuse or neglect;
 - b) A county attorney or their designee;
 - c) A medical professional with experience in treating children who have suffered acts of suspected abuse or neglect;
 - d) A victims' advocate:
 - e) A representative of a child abuse prevention and treatment organization;
 - f) A representative from a university responsible for the education and professional training of social workers;
 - g) The director of the Department of Economic Security;
 - h) The director of the child protective services program within the Department of Economic Security;
 - i) The director of the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families; and
 - j) A representative from both the Arizona State Senate and the Arizona House of Representatives, both of whom shall serve as advisory members; and,
- 2. The Task Force shall engage subject-matter experts to offer additional professional advice, expertise, and testimony in the following areas: child protective services investigations and management, law enforcement investigations, the administrative office of the courts, social services, foster care, crisis shelters and group homes, and child welfare advocacy. Child protective services caseworkers and supervisors invited to participate shall be allowed to do so with impunity.
- 3. The Governor shall appoint all members of the Task Force, and in the Governor's sole discretion may appoint additional members with experience in best practices for enhancing the safety and welfare of children in Arizona.
- 4. The Governor shall appoint the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson from the membership of the Task Force.
- 5. The Task Force is charged with reviewing and identifying:
 - a) The current process by which cases of alleged abuse or neglect are detected, investigated, and addressed;
 - b) The current process by which the safety of children placed in the state's protective custody is monitored;
 - c) Current criteria for substantiating reports of child abuse or neglect and analysis of other states;
 - d) Best practices nationally for conducting investigations of child abuse or neglect, including the involvement of

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- law enforcement in the investigation process;
- e) Federal standards related to child protective services;
- f) The education and professional training requirements of individuals employed by the state to investigate reports of child abuse or neglect; and, the education and professional training requirements of individuals employed by the state to supervise/manage child protective services caseworkers and caseloads; and
- g) Improvements to investigation practices, staff development, caseload management, statistical reporting, resource allocation, technology, transparency and public information.
- 6. The Task Force shall provide to the Governor no later than December 31, 2011 their recommendations of any statutory, organizational, management or protocol reforms necessary to enhance the safety for children involved in investigations of suspected child abuse and/or neglect, including the safety of children placed in the state's protective custody.
- 7. The Task Force shall hold two public meetings before December 31, 2011.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix, Arizona on this 7th day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* ARIZONA MEDICAL ASSISTANTS WEEK *

[M11-349]

WHEREAS, the health of all Arizonans depends upon educated minds and trained hands; and

WHEREAS, the practice of modern medicine at the exacting standards we now enjoy would be impossible without the clinical and administrative duties performed by medical assistants daily in a physician's office, clinic, laboratory, or hospital; and

WHEREAS, these multi-skilled professionals help create a professional and comforting atmosphere for patients by offering them guidance and support; and

WHEREAS, through their dedication, the medical assistants of Arizona have made a vital contribution to the quality of health care.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 17-21, 2011 as

* ARIZONA MEDICAL ASSISTANTS WEEK *

and encourage all citizens to recognize and support the vital service provided by medical assistants for the benefit of all Arizona.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

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* ARIZONA VETERANS HALL OF FAME DAY *

[M11-361]

WHEREAS, the veterans of the State of Arizona have sacrificed for their country and deserve our respect and admiration, especially those veterans who continue to contribute after they have taken off the uniform by living selfless lives in service to their community; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame was created by the United Arizona Veterans to honor and celebrate the lives of these men and women who have sacrificed in the past and continue to serve for the betterment of their communities; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 class of the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame is being inducted in a special ceremony on October 28, 2011 in Phoenix, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, on this day, seventeen veterans will join those honored veterans who have previously been inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, on this day, we shall pay tribute to these exceptional individuals by inducting them into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame with special speakers, presentations, displays, and festivities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 28, 2011 as

* ARIZONA VETERANS HALL OF FAME DAY *

in honor of the 2011 class of the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* BOLA TIE WEEK *

[M11-350]

WHEREAS, in 1949, through the ingenuity and resourcefulness of Victor B. Cedarstaff, there came into being that combination of leathercraft and the lapidary art which has evolved into the bola tie; and

WHEREAS, the design potential of the bola tie created an ideal medium for the "rockhound" and the silversmith to join in an expression of their talents and skills; and

WHEREAS, the bola tie is the State of Arizona's official neckwear; and

WHEREAS, the popularity of the bola tie, firmly established around Arizona is now extending far beyond the borders of the state as a symbol and reminder of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 45th Anniversary of the Bola Tie Society of Arizona.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 23-29, 2011 as

* BOLA TIE WEEK *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

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Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK *

[M11-362]

WHEREAS, Central Sterile Supply Department technicians are responsible for processing surgical instruments, supplies, and equipment; and

WHEREAS, serving in settings ranging from hospitals to ambulatory surgical centers, Central Sterile Supply Department technicians provide support to patient care services; and

WHEREAS, Central Sterile Supply Department tasks include decontaminating, cleaning, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing, and distributing the medical devices and supplies needed for patient care; and

WHEREAS, the Central Sterile Supply Department of a healthcare facility is the heart of all activity surrounding instruments, supplies, and equipment required for operating rooms, endoscopy suites, ICU, birth centers, and other patient care areas; and

WHEREAS, Central Sterile Supply Department technicians play a most important role in patient care arenas, and are responsible for first-line processes to prevent patient infections; and

WHEREAS, Central Service Week recognizes the contribution Central Sterile Supply Department technicians make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 15-21, 2011 as

* CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

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* DENTAL HYGIENE MONTH *

[M11-351]

WHEREAS, proper oral health care should be practiced starting at an early age; and

WHEREAS, issues can arise throughout childhood, adolescence, adulthood and old age, which are mostly preventable with regular dental hygiene care; and

WHEREAS, these services are essential in the dental office, public health facilities, schools, private organizations and research facilities to provide the best possible oral health care for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, dental hygienists, as licensed oral health care professionals, have been actively promoting oral health and preventing oral disease for over 90 years; and

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WHEREAS, dental hygienists frequently volunteer their time to provide educational and preventive oral health care services to underserved populations; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona State Dental Hygienists' Association declared October to be Arizona State Dental Hygiene Month with the theme "It's Simple. Healthy Habits for a Healthy Smile," recognizing the importance of regular oral health care.

NOW, THEREFORE, I. Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2011 as

* DENTAL HYGIENE MONTH *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* FAMILY ENGAGEMENT MONTH *

[M11-360]

WHEREAS, family engagement in a child's learning is critical to student success in school; and

WHEREAS, creating an environment for learning is important in classrooms and as a central part of family life with parents actively supporting their children's education; and

WHEREAS, research indicates that there is a direct correlation between high student achievement and the high expectations and positive contributions of a child's parents; and

WHEREAS, the role of parents in creating a successful pre-school though college education experience for each Arizona child cannot be overstated; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's educational leaders are developing resources that offer concrete ideas for parents looking to engage more fully in their children's education as a way to develop stronger connections between parents and schools; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona State Parent Information Resource Center (Arizona State PIRC) and Arizona Congress of Parents and Teachers (Arizona PTA) are available to assist schools and families with ideas for getting more involved in the education and development of young students.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 2011 as

* FAMILY ENGAGEMENT MONTH *

and encourage all citizens to take time this month to affirm their involvement in their child's learning.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

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* LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL DAY *

[M11-358]

WHEREAS, quality afterschool programs and opportunities provide safe and fun learning experiences to help children and youth develop their social, emotional, physical, cultural, and academic skills; and

WHEREAS, afterschool programs contribute to stronger communities by involving students, parents, business leaders, and adult volunteers in the lives of our young people, thereby promoting positive relationships among children, youth, families, and adults; and

WHEREAS, more than 28 million children in the U.S. have parents who work outside the home, and 15.1 million children have no place to go after school; and

WHEREAS, many afterschool programs across the country are facing funding shortfalls that may cause them to turn off their lights; and

WHEREAS, Lights On Afterschool, a national celebration of after school programs, promotes the importance of quality afterschool programs in the lives of children, their families and their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 20, 2011 as

* LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL DAY *

and encourage citizens to engage in innovative afterschool programs and activities that ensure the lights stay on and the doors stay open for all children after school.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* MARINE CORPS MONTH *

[M11-363]

WHEREAS, on November 10, 1775, a Corps of Marines was created by a resolution of the Continental Congress and since that date, many thousands of men and women have borne the name "Marine"; and

WHEREAS, these brave men and women have served the people of the United States of America during times of peace and war; and

WHEREAS, their steadfast allegiance to their duties and core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment are in keeping with the highest standards set by the people of this great nation; and

WHEREAS, under their watchful eye, no enemy has ever conquered the resolve and spirit of the Corps and subsequently, the will of the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Arizona commemorate the brave deeds and continued legacy of all marines who have and who continue to proudly serve as this nation's "Force in Readiness."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 2011 as

* MARINE CORPS MONTH *

in honor of the birth of the illustrious United States Marine Corps.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fourth day of October in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2011-05

State Regulatory Rule Making Review and Moratorium To Promote Job Creation and Retention

Editor's Note: This Executive Order is being reproduced in each issue of the Administrative Register until its expiration on June 30, 2012 as a notice to the public regarding state agencies' rulemaking activities.

[M11-234]

WHEREAS, my first official action as Governor was to institute a regulatory rule making review and moratorium process ("regulatory review and moratorium") in order to prevent additional and unnecessary burdens on our private sector employers and political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, other states have since implemented regulatory reviews and moratoriums; and

WHEREAS, the economic climate in Arizona continues to challenge both those seeking employment and our employers, who are the key to increasing job opportunities in this State; and

WHEREAS, a predictable regulatory climate in this State will promote job creation and retention; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature enacted the regulatory review and moratorium for fiscal year 2009 - 2010 by passing House Bill 2008 in the 2009 Third Special Session; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature continued the regulatory review and moratorium for fiscal year 2010 - 2011 by passing House Bill 2260 in the 2010 Second Regular Session; and

WHEREAS, the current regulatory review and moratorium expires on June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the expiration of the current regulatory review and moratorium could result in a regulatory explosion detrimental to job creation and retention in this State; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby declare that for fiscal year 2011-2012 ending June 30, 2012, the following:

- 1. A state agency, subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4, shall not conduct any rule making except as permitted by this Order. The objective of this Order is eliminate any unnecessary increased monetary or regulatory costs on employers, persons, individuals, other state agencies, or political subdivisions of this State. This prohibition includes any informal rule making prior to the commencement of the formal rule making process.
- 2. Paragraph 1 does not apply to state agency rule making for any one or more of the following reasons:
 - a. To fulfill an objective related to job creation in this State.
 - b. To lessen or ease a regulatory burden while achieving the same regulatory objective.
 - c. To prevent a significant threat to the public health, peace or safety.
 - d. To avoid a violation of a court order or federal law that would result in sanctions by a court or federal government against an agency for failure to conduct the rule making action.
 - e. To comply with a federal statutory or regulatory requirement or a state statutory requirement if the applicable statute or regulation contains a date certain for compliance on or before December 31, 2012 or is necessary under subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.
 - f. To fulfill an obligation related to fees or any other action necessary to implement the state budget that is certified by the Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting.
 - g. To promulgate a rule or other item that is exempt from title 41, chapter 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, pursuant to section 41-1005, Arizona Revised Statutes.

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- h. To address matters pertaining to the control, mitigation or eradication of waste, fraud or abuse within a state agency or wasteful, fraudulent or abusive activities perpetrated against a state agency.
- 3. A state agency, subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4, shall not conduct any informal or formal rule making pursuant to Paragraph 2 or otherwise without the prior written approval of the Office of the Governor.
- 4. This Order applies to all state agencies, except for: (a) any state agency that is headed by a single elected state official, (b) the corporation commission, or (c) any state agency whose agency head is not appointed by the Governor.
- 5. All state officials and state agencies that are not subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4 are encouraged to participate voluntarily within the context of their own rule making processes.
- 6. State agencies may continue a rule making that was authorized by the Office of the Governor on or after January 22, 2009. All state agencies, subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4, shall report to the Office of Governor by July 29, 2011 all pending rule makings and any pending requests to the Office of Governor for rule making.
- 7. This Order does not confer any legal rights upon any persons and shall not be used as a basis for legal challenges to rules, approvals, permits, licenses or other actions or to any inaction of a state agency.
- 8. For the purposes of this executive order, "person", "rule" and "rule making" have the same meanings prescribed in section 41-1001, Arizona Revised Statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix, Arizona this 30th day of June in the year Two Thousand Eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State